MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

November 5, 2012

City of Chula Vista, Executive Conference Room 103 276 Fourth Avenue

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

By Chair Rahimzadeh at 3:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioners Coleman, Flores, Kappes, Romo, and

Chair Rahimzadeh

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Commissioner Vargas

MOTION TO EXCUSE:

Commissioner Vargas' absence was approved.

STAFF PRESENT:

Administrative Services Manager Beamon, Environmental Resource Manager Reed, Environmental Services

Program Manager France, and Sr. Secretary Fields

OTHERS PRESENT:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of October 22, 2012 were approved.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Betsy Cory, a member of the Native Plant Society, invited the Commission to a Fragrant Garden dedication ceremony on November 19th. She added that the centerpiece of the event will be a Blessing Ceremony by

an elder of the Native American community.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Climate Change Progress Report (DRAFT)

Environmental Resource Manager Brendan Reed stated that this item will be going to Council on December 11th. His six month update to the Board included information on the overall implementation strategy. He also said that 95% of the 18 actions had been completed, and that of the 57 components, only 3 remained on hold. Reed went on to discuss the major highlights of the project and some of the individual measures that had progressed since the last update. A question-and-answer session followed.

Action: Commissioner Romo made a motion that the Resource Conservation Commission recommend that City Council accept the report. Commissioner Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Tire Enforcement Grant

Environmental Services Program Manager Lynn France stated that the County of San Diego and the City of San Diego are the only two agencies that can do the enforcement, and that the City of San Diego is the lead agency. She discussed that Chula Vista is proposing to allow San Diego to manage enforcement on behalf of Chula Vista.

Action: Commissioner Romo made a motion that the Resource Conservation Commission recommend that City Council authorize the submittal of the CalRecycle Waste Tire Enforcement grant application in partnership with the City of San Diego – Local Enforcement Agency, as the lead agency; and to execute on behalf of Chula Vista all necessary applications, contracts, payment requests, agreements and amendments for the purpose of securing the grant funds and implementing the purpose of the grant, through June 30, 2017. Commissioner Coleman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

RCC Tree Planting – Brendan Reed

The Parks Division will prep the area for the trees and the RCC and volunteers, who will come from two area schools, will put the trees in the ground and do the staking. Timing will be set for after the first of the year, and funding will come from RCC members.

2. SDG&E General Rate Case II Update - Brendan Reed

The City is still involved and is working with other parties on the settlement agreement.

3. September 29th - Household hazardous waste event wrap up information - Lynn France

10 students from the MAAC Project will be receiving laptops as a result of the Electronics Waste Collection Program. This will be announced at Council on the 20th.

4. Day without a Bag - Information update - Lynn France

Libraries will be issuing books that day inside the bags, and grocery stores will also be participating in various ways.

5. Beautify Chula Vista – Information wrap up – Lynn France

Four thousand pounds of material was pulled out of Rice Canyon for a total of six thousand pounds in all.

MANAGERS COMMENTS

Environmental Resource Manager Reed mentioned the subject of changing the meeting time for the RCC. He suggested adding it as a discussion item on the next agenda.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Coleman stated that the last meeting for the Natural Resource Management Plan for the Bayfront was cancelled, so there were no updates.

CHAIR COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m. to a regular meeting on Monday, December 10, 2012, at 4:00 pm in Executive Conference Room 103, Building 300, 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, CA 91910.

Prepared by:

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Sr. Secretary